

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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FUNCTIONS OF AIRPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the structure and functions of Airports Authority of India; and

(b) its output in terms of (i) enhanced profit, (ii) modernisation of air traffic system, (iii) upgradation of airport infra-structure at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata, (iv) upgradation of airport infrastructure in North East Parts of the country; including at Guwahati, Imphal, Agartala, Jammu, Gaya, Lucknow and Jaipur etc., (v) satellite base communication, navigation, surveillance and modern air traffic system during each of the last three years and projected for the next three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a): The Airports Authority of India (AAI) consists of a Chairperson, Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) as ex-officio Member and not less than eight and not more than 14 Members appointed by the Union Government and necessary supporting staff. Major functions of AAI are

- (i) control and management of the Indian airspace
- (ii) Design, development, operation and maintenance of airports, passenger terminals, cargo terminals
- (iii) Provision of passenger facilities,
- (iv) Provision of visual, communication and navigational aids etc.

(b): Profit earned after tax during 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 are 211.38, 214.08 and 245.54 crores of rupees and projections are 265.24, 304.79 and 324.13 crores of rupees for the next three years. Modernisation of Air Traffic Services, upgradation of airport infrastructure, and satellite-base communication, navigation, surveillance are continuous process for which different projects are planned and implemented from time to time. Major development works like new terminal complex at Mumbai, construction of parking bays at various airports, modification of terminal-2 (Phase-I) at Kolkata, upgradation of main runway at IGI Airport for ILS Cat-III, extension and modification of Anna International Terminal at Chennai etc. were taken up during the last three years.

Works like construction / modification of terminal buildings, recarpeting/ strengthening/ extension of runways, construction of technical block / technical tower/ fire station etc. have been taken up at other airports including North East Parts of the country. Modern Air Traffic System and its automation system at the cost of Rs.423.89 crores has already been completed at Mumbai and Delhi. Upgradation of ATS at Kolkata and Chennai is in progress. The pace of development works are proposed to be maintained in the next three years also.